

NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

1. This communication is in response to Application No. 10/510,449 filed nationally on 05 April 2005 and internationally on 04 April 2003. The amendment presented on 12 February 2008 has been deemed non-responsive.

2. The reply filed on 12 February 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): there was an objection to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) regarding reference characters 72 and 74 (Figure 2) not being mentioned in the written description. Objections to the drawings are not held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JEFFREY NICKERSON whose telephone number is (571)270-3631. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th, 8:30-6:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Caldwell can be reached on 571-272-3868. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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